



PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Re Application of:

Takayuki YAGI et al.

Application No.: 09/819,672

Filed: March 29, 2001

For: ELECTRON OPTICAL SYSTEM ARRAY,
CHARGED-PARTICLE BEAM EXPOSURE
APPARATUS USING THE SAME, AND
DEVICE MANUFACTURING METHOD
(As Amended)

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Examiner: K. Nguyen
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LETTER REQUESTING CONSIDERATION
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Sir:

Applicants have received a Notice of Allowance and Notice of Allowability dated August 12, 2003, in the above-identified application. Applicants filed a Third Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement, with the requisite \$180.00 fee, on August 7, 2003, prior to issuance on August 12, 2003, of the Notice of Allowance and Notice of Allowability. Accordingly, Applicants request that the Examiner consider the cited material submitted in this Third Information Disclosure Statement filed on August 7, 2003, by returning a copy of the initialed PTO-1449 form attached to that Information Disclosure Statement. Attached, for the Examiner's convenience, are copies of the Third Information

Disclosure Statement, the PTO-1449 form, and the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office date stamped postcard receipt indicating the filing of those papers on that date.

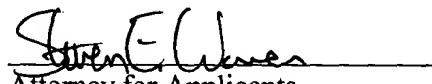
Applicants further request consideration of the U.S. patent application publications cited by Applicants in the Information Disclosure Statement filed on June 5, 2003.

Applicants submit that submission of these documents is in compliance with 37 CFR 1.56 and MPEP §609. Therefore, these documents should be considered by the Examiner. For the Examiner's convenience, enclosed are copies of the two PTO-1449 forms that list these publications.

Applicants believe that no fees should be incurred in connection with filing this paper. However, the Commissioner is authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 06-1205, should any fees be associated herewith. A duplicate of this paper is enclosed for this purpose.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should be directed to our address listed below.

Respectfully submitted,



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